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1. ECONOMIC COUNSELOR HAS ONCE AGAIN RAISED SUBJECT OF FOUR SUB-GROUPS WITH THE FOLLOWING: AMBASSADOR HORACIO VICIOSO SOTO IN THE SECRETARIAT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS; BUDORO SANCHEZ Y SANCHEZ, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE; AND JULIO ESTRELLA, TECHNICAL SECRETARY IN THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENCY.
2. ONLY VICIOSO REVEALED MUCH KNOWLEDGE OF THE MEETINGS, AND HIS KNOWLEDGE WAS CONFINED MORE TO DATES, PLACES, AND MECHANICS RATHER THAN SUBSTANCE.
3. VICIOSO SEEMED TO BE MORE INTERESTED IN SUB-GROUP I (STRENGTHENING OF INTERNAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS). BUT HE ADMITTED THAT THIS WAS PARTLY BECAUSE THE MEETING WOULD BE HOSTED BY COLOMBIA AND HIS PARTICULAR SECTION OF THE FOREIGN SECRETARIAT HANDLES COLOMBIAN AFFAIRS.
4. GODR HAS APPARENTLY BEEN CONSULTING PRIMARILY WITH

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5. WHEN ASKED WHETHER GODR WOULD BE GOING TO SOURCES OUTSIDE THE GOVERNMENT SUCH AS THE PRIVATE BUSINESS SECTORS OR EDUCATIONAL CIRCLES FOR POSSIBLE IN-PUT, VICIOSO RESPONDED IN THE NEGATIVE. HE SAID THAT THE TECHNICAL SECRETARY IN THE PRESIDENCY (ESTRELLA) HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF THE MATTER, AND THAT THE SECRETARY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE WOULD ALSO BE INVOLVED. (VICIOSO REVEALED THAT ESTRELLA HAD SOMEWHAT RESISTED THE RESPONSIBILITY.)

6. SECRETARY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE APPEARED IN CONVERSATION WITH ECONOMIC COUNSELOR TO HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE WHATSOEVER OF MEETINGS. WHEN ESTRELLA WAS ASKED ABOUT GODR'S PARTICULAR INTEREST OR POSSIBLE INITIATIVE, HE SAID HE WAS INTERESTED IN FINDING WAYS TO CONVERT SUGAR CANE TO COW FEED.

7. COMMENT: IT IS APPARENT THAT GODR THUS FAR IS UNPREPARED FOR A VERY ACTIVE ROLE IN MEETINGS OF SUB-GROUPS. TO EXTENT THERE WILL BE ANY SUBSTANTIVE PREPARATION FOR THE MEETINGS, IT WILL APPARENTLY BE DONE IN ESTRELLA'S OFFICE.  
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